

4355(a)(2), appoints the Senator from Alabama, Mr. SESSIONS, from the Armed Services Committee, to the Board of Visitors of the U.S. Military Academy.

The Chair, on behalf of the majority leader, pursuant to Public Law 108-136, Title XV, Section 1501(b)(1)(C), appoints the following individual to serve on the Veteran's Disability Benefits Commission: Vice Admiral Dennis Vincent McGinn.

The Chair, on behalf of the majority leader, pursuant to Public Law 105-277, Section 710, 2(A)(ii), appoints the following individual to serve as a member of the Parents Advisory Council on Youth Drug Abuse: David C. Guth of Tennessee.

ORDERS FOR WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 2004

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that when the Senate completes its business today, it adjourn until 9:30 a.m., Wednesday, February 11. I further ask unanimous consent that following the prayer and pledge, the morning hour be deemed expired, the Journal of proceedings be approved to date, the time for the two leaders be reserved for their use later in the day, and the Senate then begin a period of morning business for up to 60 minutes, with the first 30 minutes under the control of the minority leader or his designee and the final 30 minutes under the control of the majority leader or his designee, provided that following morning business, the Senate resume consideration of S. 1072, the highway bill.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

PROGRAM

Mr. FRIST. Tomorrow, following morning business, the Senate will resume consideration of S. 1072, the highway bill. It is my expectation that following final remarks of several Senators, the chairman will move to table the Warner amendment on seatbelts. Therefore, Senators should expect the first vote tomorrow to occur prior to noon.

For the remainder of the day tomorrow, the Senate will continue to debate on the highway bill. It is my hope the bill's managers will be able to work through additional amendments during tomorrow's session. Senators should expect rollcall votes throughout the day tomorrow.

As a reminder, cloture was filed on the substitute which was offered earlier today. While it was not my preference to file cloture, it became obvious that we would be unable to move forward without forcing a cloture vote. A cloture vote on the substitute amendment will occur on Thursday.

I also remind all Senators that under cloture rules all first-degree amendments must be filed by 1 p.m. tomorrow.

ORDER FOR ADJOURNMENT

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, if there is no further business to come before the Senate, I ask unanimous consent that the Senate stand in adjournment under the previous order following the remarks of Senator JOHN WARNER.

The PRESIDING OFFICER (Mr. AL-EXANDER). Without objection, it is so ordered.

Mr. FRIST. Mr. President, I suggest the absence of a quorum.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will call the roll.

The legislative clerk proceeded to call the roll.

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, I ask unanimous consent that the order for the quorum call be rescinded.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Without objection, it is so ordered.

SAFE, ACCOUNTABLE, FLEXIBLE, AND EFFICIENT TRANSPORTATION EQUITY ACT OF 2003— Continued

AMENDMENT NO. 2286 TO AMENDMENT 2285, AS
MODIFIED

Mr. WARNER. Mr. President, the Senator from Virginia has at the desk an amendment which is the pending amendment, and I desire to modify it. Consequently, I ask unanimous consent to modify the pending amendment to reflect the concerns raised by the managers of the bill requesting that more time be given to States to meet the 90-percent seatbelt use rate on their own initiative, with their own plans. I now send my modified amendment to the desk.

The PRESIDING OFFICER. Is there objection? Without objection, it is so ordered. The amendment is so modified.

The amendment (No. 2286), as modified, is as follows:

Beginning on page 118, strike line 20 and all that follows through page 129, line 18, and insert the following:

“(3) PRIMARY SAFETY BELT LAW.—The term ‘primary safety belt law’ means a law that authorizes a law enforcement officer to issue a citation for the failure of the operator of, or any passenger in, a motor vehicle to wear a safety belt as required by State law, based solely on that failure and without regard to whether there is any other violation of law.

“(4) SAFETY PROJECT UNDER ANY OTHER SECTION.—

“(A) IN GENERAL.—The term ‘safety project under any other section’ means a project carried out for the purpose of safety under any other section of this title.

“(B) INCLUSION.—The term ‘safety project under any other section’ includes a project to—

“(i) promote the awareness of the public and educate the public concerning highway safety matters; or

“(ii) enforce highway safety laws.

“(5) STATE HIGHWAY SAFETY IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM.—The term ‘State highway safety improvement program’ means projects or strategies included in the State strategic highway safety plan carried out as part of the State transportation improvement program under section 135(f).

“(6) STATE STRATEGIC HIGHWAY SAFETY PLAN.—The term ‘State strategic highway

safety plan’ means a plan developed by the State transportation department that—

“(A) is developed after consultation with—

“(i) a highway safety representative of the Governor of the State;

“(ii) regional transportation planning organizations and metropolitan planning organizations, if any;

“(iii) representatives of major modes of transportation;

“(iv) State and local traffic enforcement officials;

“(v) persons responsible for administering section 130 at the State level;

“(vi) representatives conducting Operation Lifesaver;

“(vii) representatives conducting a motor carrier safety program under section 31104 or 31107 of title 49;

“(viii) motor vehicle administration agencies; and

“(ix) other major State and local safety stakeholders;

“(B) analyzes and makes effective use of State, regional, or local crash data;

“(C) addresses engineering, management, operation, education, enforcement, and emergency services elements of highway safety as key factors in evaluating highway projects;

“(D) considers safety needs of, and high-fatality segments of, public roads;

“(E) considers the results of State, regional, or local transportation and highway safety planning processes;

“(F) describes a program of projects or strategies to reduce or eliminate safety hazards;

“(G) is approved by the Governor of the State or a responsible State agency; and

“(H) is consistent with the requirements of section 135(f).

“(b) PROGRAM.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary shall carry out a highway safety improvement program.

“(2) PURPOSE.—The purpose of the highway safety improvement program shall be to achieve a significant reduction in traffic fatalities and serious injuries on public roads.

“(c) ELIGIBILITY.—

“(1) IN GENERAL.—To obligate funds apportioned under section 104(b)(5) to carry out this section, a State shall have in effect a State highway safety improvement program under which the State—

“(A) develops and implements a State strategic highway safety plan that identifies and analyzes highway safety problems and opportunities as provided in paragraph (2);

“(B) produces a program of projects or strategies to reduce identified safety problems;

“(C) evaluates the plan on a regular basis to ensure the accuracy of the data and priority of proposed improvements; and

“(D) submits to the Secretary an annual report that—

“(i) describes, in a clearly understandable fashion, not less than 5 percent of locations determined by the State, using criteria established in accordance with paragraph (2)(B)(ii), as exhibiting the most severe safety needs; and

“(ii) contains an assessment of—

“(I) potential remedies to hazardous locations identified;

“(II) estimated costs associated with those remedies; and

“(III) impediments to implementation other than cost associated with those remedies.

“(2) IDENTIFICATION AND ANALYSIS OF HIGHWAY SAFETY PROBLEMS AND OPPORTUNITIES.—As part of the State strategic highway safety plan, a State shall—